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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: SCHNEIDER, R. AND KLEIN, N.

Application No.: 09/096,589

Group Art Unit: 1652

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For:

INHIBITION OF THE SRC KINASE FAMILY PATHWAY

Attorney Docket No.: 5914-065-999

AS A METHOD OF TREATING **HBV INFECTION AND HEPATOCELLULAR**

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 37 U.S.C. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 24, 2000 and to supplement Applicants' Response to Restriction Requirement Under 37 U.S.C. § 1.111, please enter the following amendments and consider the following election and remarks. The Applicants submit herewith a Petition For Extension of Time accompanied by the appropriate fee.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 38 and 43-44, without prejudice.

Please amend Claims 39 and 45-46 as follows:

(amended) 39.

method for inhibiting Hepatitis B virus (HBV) infection or

replication comprising administering a compound that interferes with the interactions of

[viral] HBV proteins with cellular proteins that serve as upstream activators of Src kinase.